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MEMORIAL TO CELEBRATE LIFE OF DR. J. DAVID 'DOC' RICHARDSON TO BE HELD SATURDAY FROM 2-4 P.M. AT CHURCHILL DOWNS

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Tuesday, Sept. 28, 2021) – A public memorial to celebrate the life of the late Dr. J. David "Doc" Richardson will be held Saturday (Oct. 2) at Churchill Downs.

Richardson, the distinguished Louisville surgeon who was an owner, breeder and widely-respected leader in the horse racing industry, died Sept. 7 in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. from complications due to a breakthrough COVID infection. He was 76.

The celebration will take place Saturday from 2-4 p.m. (all times Eastern) in the Starting Gate Suites 4th Floor. Guests should enter Churchill Downs via the Executive Gate, which is located next to the Kentucky Derby Museum near the Barbaro horse statue.

Saturday's sixth race, which is scheduled to run at approximately 3:18 p.m., will be dedicated to "Doc" and the "J. David 'Doc' Richardson Celebration of Life" trophy will be presented to the winning connections.

For additional information, visit: https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/louisville/name/james-richardson-obituary?pid=200087583.

ABOUT CHURCHILL DOWNS RACETRACK

Churchill Downs Racetrack ("CDRT"), the world's most legendary racetrack, has been the home of The Kentucky Derby, the longest continually held annual sporting event in the United States, since 1875. Located in Louisville, CDRT features a series of themed race days during Derby Week, including the Kentucky Oaks, and conducts Thoroughbred horse racing during three race meets in the Spring, September, and the Fall. CDRT is located on 175 acres and has a one-mile dirt track, a 7/8-mile turf track, a stabling area, and provides seating for approximately 60,000 guests. The saddling paddock and the stable area has barns sufficient to accommodate 1,400 horses and a 114-room dormitory for backstretch personnel. CDRT also has a year-round simulcast wagering facility. www.ChurchillDowns.com.

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